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1. WE REGRET FURTHER DELAY IN HOLDING JOINT COMMITTEE  
MEETING BUT ACCEPT SPANISH PROPOSAL FOR MEETING DURING  
SECOND HALF OF APRIL AT MUTUALLY AGREEABLE TIME, PROVIDED  
THAT DECISIONS ON PROGRAMS AND FUNDING CAN BE MADE AT  
THAT MEETING. WE PROPOSE EITHER APRIL 21 - 22 OR TWO  
DAYS IN WEEK BEGINNING APRIL 25.

2. WE AGREE THAT INTERAGENCY RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN  
SPANISH AND U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES ARE MOST PRACTICABLE  
FOR COOPERATIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS. UNDER THE LEAD  
AGENCY FORMAT WE WOULD EXPECT THAT COOPERATING AGENCIES  
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WOULD WORK TOGETHER TO DEVELOP AGREED 5 YEAR PLANS ALONG  
WITH COST ESTIMATES IN WRITING FOR APPROVAL BY THE JOINT  
COMMITTEE ALONG LINES OF THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION AND THE SPANISH  
CENTER FOR HYDRAULIC STUDIES. U.S. AND SPANISH AGENCIES  
ALREADY WORKING TOGETHER, SUCH AS USDA AND ITS COUNTER-  
PART AGENCY, SHOULD BE ABLE TO DEVELOP A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL

PROGRAM OF COOPERATION PROMPTLY, FOR U.S. AGENCIES WHICH HAVE NOT YET BEEN INVITED TO ASSIST IN DEVELOPING COOPERATIVE PROJECTS WITH THEIR COUNTERPART AGENCIES, WE SUGGEST THAT THE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT FUND BE USED FOR TRAVEL AND NECESSARY RELATED EXPENSES TO FACILITATE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT.

-----IN REGARD TO STANDARDS FOR EVALUATING DIRECT RESEARCH GRANTS WE WOULD INTEND TO USE CRITERIA ADOPTED FOR SIMILAR BILATERAL PROGRAMS: (A) DOES PROPOSED RESEARCH DUPLICATE PRESENT U.S.-SPONSORED RESEARCH, AND (B) DOES PROPOSED RESEARCH MEET A NEED OF U.S. AGENCY. WE WOULD ALSO WANT U.S. TO SHARE IN BENEFITS OF ANY RESEARCH FINANCED BY THESE GRANTS.

3. WE AGREE THAT INSTITUTIONAL AND DIRECT RESEARCH GRANTS WOULD NOT BE ADMINISTERED THROUGH LEAD AGENCIES, BUT COULD BE ADMINISTERED BY THE SECRETARIAT. THE U.S. WOULD HAVE ADVISORY, APPROVAL, AND EVALUATION FUNCTIONS. SINCE THE SECRETARIAT HAS NOT YET BEEN ACTIVATED, WE WOULD WANT SOME ASSURANCE THAT SOUND PROCEDURES IN PROCUREMENT, DISBURSEMENT, ACCOUNTING, AND REPORTING WILL BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO ANY ACTUAL TRANSFER OF FUNDS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S VIEWS ON THIS.

4. BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH HAS BEEN ACCEPTED AS AN APPROPRIATE PROGRAM AREA (SEE REF B). A PROGRAM OF INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH UNDER AUSPICES OF NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS AND ONE OR MORE COUNTERPART SPANISH AGENCIES ACCEPTABLE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IN PRINCIPLE.

5. WE WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING IN ADVANCE OF THE FORTHCOMING MEETING COPIES OF PROPOSALS TO BE TABLED BY THE SPANISH SIDE SO THAT WE CAN STUDY THEM AND HAVE PREPARED RESPONSE THERETO. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S VIEWS ON APPROPRIATE AGENDA AND RELATED ISSUES FOR THE MEETING. WE WOULD PLAN TO INVITE REPRESENTATIVES OF U.S. TECHNICAL AGENCIES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING.

6. TO WORK TOWARD EFFECTIVENESS OF NEXT MEETING WE PROPOSE THAT JOHN FRY VISIT MADRID AT EARLIEST CONVENIENT TIME RATHER THAN SHORTLY BEFORE MEETING AS PROPOSED. PLEASE ADVISE.  
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